

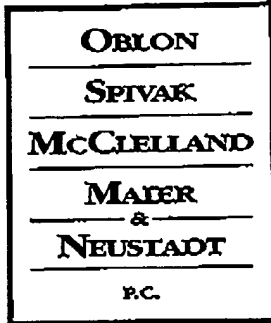
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Serial No. 10/062,189

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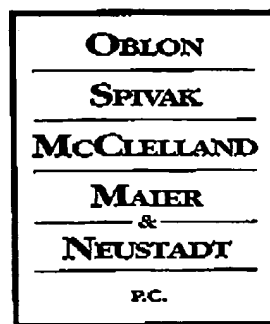
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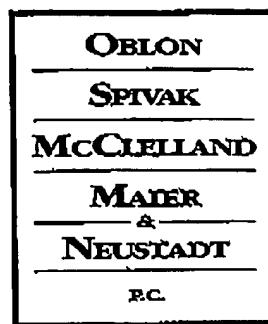
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Supplemental to the Amendment filed October 13, 2004, the undersigned respectfully submits with this Letter (1) the attached Japanese language application proposal, and (2) two pages of partial translation of the relevant portions of the application proposal.

The undersigned provides this information in light of the comments made at page 2 of the outstanding Office Action, referring to the "lack of translation", of the application proposal, and the follow-on discussion on May 9, 2005, with Examiner Hughes regarding the same topic. During the conversation, the Examiner confirmed that she was not aware of the two pages of translation of the application proposal, and therefore did not consider them. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the translation at this time.

Also during the conversation, the undersigned and the Examiner recognized that the image file wrapper for this application apparently misidentified the Japanese language

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application proposal and partial translation thereof as "NPL documents" listed as "prior art". Of course this is not the case, but rather evidence of the earlier conception and reduction to practice of the claimed invention. For the Examiner's convenience, a print out is provided of the first page of the image file wrapper index for the subject application, identifying the "NPL documents". The NPL documents are identified by handwritten asterisks on the image file wrapper index.

Accordingly, the application proposal as described in the corresponding description in the Amendment filed October 13, 2004 is evidence that is evidence that Ye's effective date is after the date of Applicants' invention. Therefore, Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for formal allowance. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the invention defined by Claims 2, 3, and 5-12, is patentably distinguishing over the prior art. The present application is therefore believed to be in condition for formal allowance, and an early and favorable reconsideration of this application is therefore requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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意匠

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発明・考案・意匠にかかる物品の名称

Raman光増幅器

発明・考案・意匠の要旨
(改良点)

Raman光増幅器用励起光源の非偏光化装置の新規開発

用途

Raman光増幅器用励起光源

発明・考案・意匠の現状

①工業化(中 完了) ②実用(中 完了)
③試作(中 完了) ④発想のみ

実施部門
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① 発表先

② 原稿提出日 年 月 日

③ 発表形態:

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発明の評価表 (A) (所属長記入)



提案NO.

発明の名称: Raman 光増幅器

記入者

A. 出願の目的と発明の特徴

本発明の出願の目的 (必要性・緊要性) を具体的に記載して下さい。 (特にアイデアのみで実施せずに出願するものについてはその理由を明確にして下さい。また、その他に、他社状況、業界事情、対象製品の海外展開などの特記事項があれば、記入して下さい。)

ラマン光増幅器の市場が北米を中心に急速に立ち上がりつつある。本発明は、ラマン光増幅器の励起光源に関するもので、励起光を非偏光化する画期的な手段である。本発明を用いることで、励起光源に用いる LD の個数を削減することが可能となりコスト削減につながる。本発明はラマン市場を独占する上で重要な技術となるため特許化が必要である。

本発明の特徴を具体的に記載して下さい。

本発明では、偏波合成と非偏光化手段が一体化になった光合波器を考案した。これまで、ラマン光増幅器用励起光源の非偏光化は LD1 台 1 台の出力端に非偏光化装置を接続していた。本発明の光合波器は 2 台の LD を合波し非偏光化するので作業工程が減る。また、非偏光化装置が LD2 台につき 1 台ですむため、コスト削減につながる。

B. 発明の予見性 (事業上の関連性) (該当箇所を○印をつけて下さい。)

- (1) 発明と当社製品技術との関連性
- (2) 発明と関係する研究・開発テーマ
- (3) 先行技術調査実施状況 (原則として提案前に先行技術調査を済ませ、公知資料を添付して下さい。)
- (4) 市場規模: 本発明を直接使用する製品当社売上予見 (ノ年)
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C. 発明の予見性 (技術上の予見性) (該当箇所を○印をつけて下さい。)

- I 特許性 (他社の先行技術に勝てるか)
10. 特許性十分 (基本発明は画期的発明で進歩性十分)
1. 特許性はほぼ十分 (公知技術と比較して差があり、進歩性がある)
5. 特許性五分五分 (公知技術と類似点があり、進歩性に多少不安がある)
2. 特許性低い (公知技術と類似点があり、進歩性に多少不安がある)
1. 特許性ない (公知技術と実質同一であり、新規性がないに等しい)
- II 実施可能性 (使用される技術が、実施は困難でないか)
10. 実施決定済み (含む実施中): 製造予定時期 年 月
1. 製品を試作済み、実施可能性大
4. 実施するか未定だが、自社の実施可能性大
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- III 他社参入の阻害 (他社の市場参入を阻止できるか)
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summary	Development of depolarize devices used in a pump source for optical Raman amplifier.		
use	A pump source for optical Raman amplifier		

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Sheet (A) for evaluation of inventionTitle: Raman optical amplifierA. Object of filing an application and aspect of the inventionObject of filing an application:

A market of optical Raman amplifier has been increased mainly in the north America. The present invention which relates to a pump source for optical Raman amplifier is an innovative way to depolarize pump lights. Employment of the present invention makes possible to reduce the number of LD for pump source and introduces cost reduction. It is necessary to protect this technology by patent in order to increase our share of the Raman amplifier market.

An aspect of the invention:

The present invention is descriptive of the invention of optical coupling device which combines input lights maintaining their polarizations and depolarize output lights respectively. Depolarized pump light sources have consisted of depolarized laser diodes where a depolarizer is connected with an output of a laser diode so far. The invention makes it possible to depolarize two output lights from laser diodes combined by the coupler simultaneously so that it allows for reduction the number of process of operation and its cost.

B. Background of invention (relationship to business)(1) Relation between this invention and our products

Relates to current products strongly

(2) Research/Development theme related to the invention
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Done (by FTR)

(4) Size of a market

more than 1000000000 yen

C. Evaluation of invention

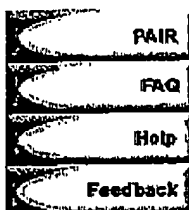
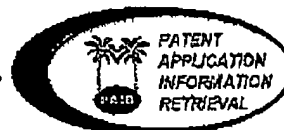
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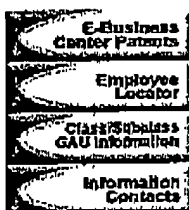


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